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we have appointed you or any three or two of you to be our Commissioners to examine evidences on behalf of Land  
on behalf of Reverend Alexander Adams of the County aforesaid in relation to the bounds of a tract called Horseys  
Chance lying on the south side of Wicahomoco Creek we therefore require you or any three or two of you at  
some time and place as to you or any three or two of you shall seem convenient you meet on the said land called  
Horseys chance (you first having taken your oaths on the holy evangelist of almighty God according to act  
of assembly in such case made and provided) and there cause to come before you any three or two of you  
all such evidences as shall be to you or any three or two of you nominated by the said complainant or deft  
party and that you or any three or two of you examine them upon their corporal oaths to be by you or any  
three or two of you administered on the holy evangelist of almighty God in the presence of the complainant  
or deft if any touching the truth or remiss branches of their knowledge or any thing that may relate to the  
cause of and that reducing the several depositions into writing you send the same together with this our  
commission under your or any three or two of your hands and seals to us to our County Court of Somerset with all  
convenient speed Robt King Gent Chief Justice of our said Court the twenty second day of November

In the twenty first Year of our Commission A<sup>d</sup> Ann Dom one thousand seven hundred and thirty five  
on the back side of the foregoing commission it was endorsed In witness whereof I, In witness whereof I,  
Thomas Gillis — Now heretofore to wit the seventeenth day of August anno Dom. One thousand seven hundred  
and thirty six came hereunto Court George Dashiel & Thomas Gillis two of the Gentry nominated in the above com-  
mission and made return of the same to the Court with the following deposition.

The deposition of a witness taken at the land called Horseys chance by virtue of a commission to us directed  
bearing date the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Nov<sup>r</sup> 1736 issued out of somerset County Court we first having given notice as the law  
directs being qualified for the same w<sup>t</sup> deposition is as follows vizt

Edward Farmer of somerset County plaster aged sixty seven years or thereabouts being sworn on the holy  
evangelist of almighty God saith he was informed by Alexander Mitchell a corner bounider of his land  
called Horseys chance was a pine standing on the south side of a creek called Wicahomoco Creek about  
a hundred yards from the said Creek to the eastward of a little gully or gutter trenching into the same  
Creek to the further the same Farmer say that he lived on the same land many years and was well  
well aquint with the same place and that the same tree was called Mitchell's corner tree and  
further saith not — at which place there is a cedar post sett up marked with sixteen notches  
standing in richard Mitchell's corn field in the westmost side of the cornfield Taken this 15<sup>th</sup> day  
of December anno Dom 1735 before us

Geo. Dashiel

Tho: Gillis —

Charles Rawliffe & Co Somerset Esq Charles absolute Lord and Proprietary of the provinces of  
Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c To James Martin  
Commissioner & Councillor

Thomas Wallis Peter Collier and William Simpson all of Somerset County  
Gent Greeting knowe that we have appointed you or any three or two of you to be our commissioners  
to examine evidences on behalf of a certain Charles Rawliffe and John Burnall Jun<sup>r</sup> of the  
County aforesaid in relation to the bounds of a piece or parcel of Land lying in Syrapuck on neck whose  
bounds depends on the first bounider of a tract of land called generally we therefore require you or